THIRD GRADE CURRICULUM MAP

FIRST NINE WEEKS

LANGUAGE ARTS

2008-2009

3RD - 1ST 9 WKS - LA 08-09	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS	VOCABULARY	STRATEGY/ACTIVITY	ASSESSMENT	RESOURCES
GPS & ELEMENTS	& KEY QUESTIONS				
ELA3R1 – The student	ELA3R1 (Fluency)	ELA3R1(Fluency)	ELA3R1 (Fluency)	ELA3R1 (Fluency)	ELA3R1 (Fluency)
demonstrates the ability to					
read orally with speed,					
accuracy, and expression.					
(Fluency) The student:					
a. Applies letter-sound	a. How do I use letter-sound	DECODING	a. Making Words	a. Teacher Observations,	a. Month by Month Phonics,
knowledge to decode unknown	patterns to help me pronounce	ACCURACY		Burke County Patterns	Making Words and Making
words quickly and accurately.	new words?			Assessment	Big Words
b. Reads familiar text with	b. How can I read with more	EXPRESSION	b. Teacher Modeling	b. Teacher Observations,	b. Self-Selected Books,
expression.	expression?		Repeated Readings	Individual Conferences	Teacher Selected Passages
				specifically noting expression.	
c. Reads grade-level text at a	c. Why should I reread text?	FLUENCY	c. Repeated Readings	c. Teacher Observations,	c. Reading Strategies,
target rate of 60 words per		REREAD	Independent Reading/	Individual Conferences During	Resources (McKenna) CTW
minute.		TEXT	Paired Reading/Choral	SSR	p. 49
			Reading		
d. Uses self-correction when	d. Why do I need to self-	SELF-CORRECT	d. Model Strategy	d. Independent Reading	d. Reading Strategies Posters
subsequent reading indicates	correct when I am reading?		Repeated Readings	Conferences	(RSR)
an earlier misreading within			Learn Reading Strategies		
grade-level texts.					
ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary) The	ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary)	ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary)	ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary)	ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary)	ELA3R2 – (Vocabulary)

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student acquires and uses					
grade-level words to					
communicate effectively.					
The student:					
a. Reads literary and	a. How can using new words	ENHANCE	a. Word Wall	a. Teacher Observation	a. Reading Strategies
informational texts and	help me to improve my	COMPETENCY	List-Group-Label (sort)	Vocabulary book to show their	Resources (McKenna) p. 34
incorporates new words into	speaking and writing?		Graphic organizer	understanding of selected	Dr. McKenna's Book
oral and written language.	Why does expanding my			vocabulary words.	p. 68.
	vocabulary enhance my				
	reading competency?				
b. Uses grade-appropriate	b. How can I determine which	APPROPRIATE	b. Think Aloud	b. Individual Conferences,	b. Reading Strategies
words with multiple meanings.	word meaning is appropriate?		Word Wall and Making	CRCT Sample Questions	Resources (McKenna) p. 127.
			Words Activities	Selected response vocabulary	
				with 80% accuracy.	
f. Determines the meaning of	f. How do context clues help	CONTEXT CLUES	f. Cross-Checking	f. CRCT Sample Questions	f. CTW p. 138, 141-146
unknown words on the basis of	in understanding multiple	MULTIPLE MEANINGS			
context.	meaning words?				
ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)	ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)	ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)	ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)	ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)	ELA3R3 – (Comprehension)
The student uses a variety of					
strategies to gain meaning					
from grade-level text. The					

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student:					
a. Reads a variety of texts for	a. Why should I read different	VARIETY	a. SSR	a. Teacher Observation	a. Reading Strategies
information and pleasure.	kinds of materials?	MATERIALS		Individual Conferences	Resources (McKenna)
	How can reading help us to	COMPREHEND			
	explore and understand our				
	world?				
b. Makes predictions from text	b. How do good readers make	LOGICAL	b. Predictions	b. Teacher Observation	b. Reading Strategies
content.	logical predictions while they	PREDICTIONS	Reciprocal Teaching	Individual Conferences	Resources (McKenna)
content.	read?	TREDICTIONS	(RSR, pp. 155-159)	marviduai Comercinees	p. 146
	read:		Anticipation Guide		р. 140
			7 interpution Guide		
k. Self-monitors	k. What strategies do good	STRATEGIES	k. Think Alouds	k. Individual Self-Selected	k. Reading Strategies
comprehension to clarify	readers use to help them	COMPREHEND	Model Rereading	Conferences	Resources p. 127
meaning.	remember and understand what				Reading Strategy Posters
	they read?				
	What does it mean to be a				
	critical reader?				
	How can we tell when we are				
	becoming independent and				
	critical readers?				
m. Recalls explicit facts and	m. How do good readers	EXPLICIT	m. Graphic Organizers to	m. Complete a Blank	m. Basal Reader
infers implicit facts.	recognize explicit facts?	IMPLICIT	Chart Information	Organizer	
_	How do good readers				
	recognize implicit facts?				
o. Uses titles, table of	o. What tools help us locate	TITLES	o. Directed Reading Activity	o. Teacher Observation With	o. Media Specialist
contents, and chapter headings	information?	TABLE OF CONTENTS	(RSR, p. 84)	Checklist	Harcourt Language Book

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to locate information quickly		CHAPTER HEADINGS	Reciprocal Teaching	Create a Class Book About	
and accurately and to preview			(RSR, pp. 155-159)	Government – relate to SS –	
text.				Objectives 1,5,&7 –include	
				Title, table of contents,	
				Glossary, & appendix.	
p. Recognizes author's	p. How do good readers		p. Teacher Modeling/	p. Individual Conferences	p. Basal Reader
purpose.	decide why a passage was		Demonstration	During Self-Selected	
	written?		During Prereading Segment	Reading	
	How can we tell when we are		of Guided Reading		
	becoming independent and				
	critical readers?				
ELA3W1 – (Writing) The	ELA3W1 – (Writing)	ELA3W1 – (Writing)	ELA3W1 – (Writing)	ELA3W1 – (Writing)	ELA3W1 – (Writing)
student demonstrates					
competency in the writing					
process. The student:					
b. Begins to select a focus and		ORGANIZATIONAL	b. Teacher Modeling	b. Writing Samples	b. CTW pp.99-109
an organizational pattern based	organizational structure	STRUCTURE	Power Writing		
on purpose, genre,	improve my writing?	GENRE	Focused Writing		
expectations, audience, and	How should purpose affect	AUDIENCE			
length.	writing?		Personal Narrative	Personal Narrative	
	Why do we write on a variety				

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	of purposes?		Think Aloud	Begin mock writing in	
	How can we be sure our			Personal Narrative	
	audience understands what we				
	write?				
k. Writes a response to	k. How do good writers	OPINION			k. CTW
literature that demonstrates	respond to literature? How do	JUDGEMENT			6 + 1 Writing Traits
understanding of the text,	I express an opinion?	LITERATURE	k. Revisit the Five Step		Harcourt Language
formulates an opinion, and	How do I express a judgment		Writing	k. Writing Samples	
supports a judgment.	to readers?		Process		
	What are the connections		Teacher Modeling		
	between reading and writing?		Shared Writing		
				Begin Informational Writing	
				week 6/7.	
m. Prewrites to generate ideas,	m. How do good writers use a	WRITING PROCESS			m. CTW (Guided Children's
develops a rough draft, rereads	process to complete a piece of	PREWRITE			Writing/Thinking)
to revise, and edits to correct.	writing?	EDIT	m. Brainstorming, Jot listing,		The Teacher's Guide to the
	Why do we need to use the	REVISE	Graphic Organizers,		Four Blocks
	steps in the writing process?	ROUGH DRAFT	Drawing,	m. Individual Conference	CL
	How can we use the writing	PUBLISH	Talking to a Partner,	During Writing Block	
	process to communicate?	COMMUNICATE	CL, pp. 57-58	Using a Checklist	
	Why does our writing need to		Power Writing, Paragraph		
	be clearly organized, focused,		Frames – CTW, pp. 105-		
	and well prepared?		109,		
	How can we publish our		CL pp.56-60; CL, pp. 66-		
	writing?		67.		
	Why is publication a				
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	significant part of the writing				
	process?				
ELA3C1 – (Conventions)	ELA3C1 – (Conventions)	ELA3C1 – (Conv.)	ELA3C1 – (Conventions)	ELA3C1 – (Conventions)	ELA3C1 – (Conventions)
The student demonstrates					
understanding and control of					
the rules of the English					
language, realizing that usage					
involves the appropriate					
application of conventions					
and grammar in both written					
and spoken forms. The					
student:					
c. Identifies and uses contractions correctly.	c. How can I identify and use contractions properly? How can understanding the rules of grammar and usage enhance our understanding of what others are communicating?	CONTRATION/S GRAMMAR CONVENTIONS	c. DOL Mini-lessons During the Writing Block	c. Teacher Observation With Checklist During Conferences; Writing Samples	c. Harcourt Language Book
g. Distinguishes between complete and incomplete sentences.	g. How can I write complete sentences? How can understanding the rules of grammar and usage enhance our understanding of what others are communicating?	COMPLETE INCOMPLETE	g. DOL Mini-lessons During the Writing Block	g. Teacher Observation With Checklist During Conferences; Writing Samples	g. Harcourt Language Book

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	Why does following the				
	conventions of Standard				
	English enhance out writing				
	process?				
Uses common rules of	How can I make sure that	FREQUENTLY	Word Wall Activities	Writing Samples	l. CTW (Developing
spelling and corrects words	frequently used words are	RESOURCES	During		Decoding and Spelling
using dictionaries and other	spelled correctly?		Working With Words		Fluency);
resources.			-		High Frequency Wordlist
					Making Words
					Making Big Words
ELA3LSV1 –	ELA3LSV1 –	ELA3LSV1 –	ELA3LSV1 –	ELA3LSV1 –	ELA3LSV1 –
(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)	(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)	(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)	(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)	(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)	(Listening/Speaking/Viewing)
The student uses oral and					
visual strategies to					
communicate. The student:					
a. Adapts oral language to fit	a. How do I determine when to	FORMAL	a. Teacher Modeling	a. Individual	a. CTW (Paragraph frames
the situation by following the	use formal and informal	INFORMAL	Sharing during SSR and	conferences/sharing times	and conducting sharing times)
rules of conversation with peer	language? How should I	ORAL	Writing Block; Use Paragraph	during Self-Selected and	
and adults.	change the way that I speak		Frames as Speech Frames	Writing	
	based upon the person with		_		
	whom I am speaking?				
	How can we help our listeners				
	understand what we are saying				
	when we speak?				
b. Recalls, interprets, and	b. How can I be sure that I am	INTERPRET	b. Teacher read alouds during	b. Post reading activities	b. RSR

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summarizes information presented orally.	listening carefully and accurately? How can we be sure we are responding appropriately to what we see and hear?	RECALLS SUMMARIZES	Self-Selected Reading; guided notes used for oral presentations instead of students reading (McKenna, pp. 139-140.	during Guided Reading, individual conferences during Guided Reading	
c. Uses oral language for different purposes: to inform, persuade, or entertain.	c. How can you speak in order to accomplish different purposes?	INFORM PERSUADE ENTERTAIN	c. Use Power Writing technique and/or adapt paragraph frames (CTW, pp. 105-109) to plan and deliver each type of speech. Teach one type at a time. Relate to reading selections or science or social studies.	c. Rubric	c. 6 + 1 Traits of Writing Harcourt Trophies
d. Listen to and views a variety of media to acquire information.	d. What kinds of media should I use to acquire information? How do the media affect our lives? Why should we care? What is propaganda? How can we tell when we are being manipulated?	PROPAGANDA MEDIA MANIPULATED	d. Teacher read alouds during SSR followed by response journals (CTW, pp.).	d. Teacher Observations and Conferences	d. Teacher provides a variety of tapes/media for the students.